



FRIENDS OF THE BURKE CENTRE LIBRARY BYLAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Friends of the Burke Centre Library.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purposes of this organization shall be: to maintain an association of persons interested in information resources and libraries; to support the Burke Centre Library; to focus public attention on library services, facilities and needs; to stimulate gifts, endowments and bequests to libraries; to support and cooperate with the Fairfax County Library system in developing public library services; and to identify and support needs not funded through normal appropriations for Fairfax County in general, and for the Burke Centre Library in particular.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in the Friends of the Burke Centre Library shall be open to individuals 18 years of age and over, community organizations and businesses.

Section 2. Each individual, organization and business member shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 3. Junior non-voting membership shall be available to individuals under 18 years of age.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of the Friends of Burke Centre Library shall be held in April of each year on a date to be determined by the Board of Directors. All members shall be notified at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting. The annual report of each officer shall be submitted for consideration by the membership at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be as set by the Board. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The membership may attend all regular meetings of the Board.

Section 3. Special meetings of the membership may be called by the president, two members of the Board of Directors, or by the written request of ten percent (10%) of the



membership. All members shall be notified in writing at least two weeks prior to the date of the special meeting.

Section 4. At the Annual Meetings or special meetings, ten percent (10%) of the total membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The officers of this organization shall be president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The officers shall serve as the Board of Directors, along with the Chairmen of the standing committees and the Immediate Past President.

Section 2. Nominations and elections shall be held at the Annual Meeting.

Section 3. Officers shall be elected for a term of one year.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Officers shall have the usual powers and duties as described in "Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised" for a voluntary association, and any other powers and duties vested in them by the membership of this organization.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall direct the affairs of this organization, the President serving as Chairman.

ARTICLE VII - DUES

Dues shall be proposed by the Board for each class of member and affirmed by a vote of the membership at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - COMMITTEES

Section 1. Such standing committees shall be created by the Board of Directors as may be deemed necessary to carry out the work of this organization.

Section 2. The chairman of each standing committee shall be elected by its members, subject to approval by the Board.

Section 3. Special committees may be formed as the need arises, and such committees shall be constituted in the same manner as standing committees. These committees will be dissolved when the need no longer exists.



ARTICLE IX - FUNDS AND TAX STATUS

Section 1. The Friends of the Burke Centre Library has been granted exemption from federal income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is classified as a public charity. Contributions to the association are deductible under section 170 of the Code.

Section 2. All funds received and disbursed by the organization shall be handled in such a manner as to comply with rules and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service pertaining to 501(c)(3) tax exempt organizations and with the rules and regulations of the Commonwealth of Virginia pertaining to charitable organizations. No part of the net earnings, if any, of the organizations shall inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member of the organization or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the organization).

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint an auditor, who is not an officer, to audit the organization's accounts and to report on the audit at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

The Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the general membership at which a quorum is present, provided that each member is notified of all proposed amendments at least two weeks in advance of this meeting and that each amendment is approved by two-thirds of the members present.

ARTICLE XI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

"Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised", shall govern the proceedings of this organization, provided that they are not in conflict with these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XII - DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.



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